

| In re Patent Application of | )                            |
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| Santagio RIVERA et al.      | ) Oroup Art Unit: Unassigned |
| Application No.: 09/912,560 | ) Examiner: Unassigned       |
| Filed: July 23, 2001        | )                            |
| For: A SHOWER APPARATUS     | )                            |

## AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- [X] A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- [ ] A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [ ] \$55.00 (248) [ ] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- [X] Also enclosed is a Submission of Corrected Drawings
- [X] Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- [ ] Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$370.00 (279) [] \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
  - [ ] Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) is enclosed.
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- [X] No additional claim fee is required.
- [ ] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

| Annual Control of the | No. OF<br>CLAIMS | HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA<br>CLAIMS | RATE              | ADDT'L<br>FEE |
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| Total Claims   |                  | MINUS =                                   |                 | × \$18.00 (103) = |               |
| Independent Claims   |                  | MINUS =                                   |                 | × \$84.00 (102) = |               |
| If Amendment adds mul  | tiple depende    | ent claims, add \$280                     | 0.00 (104)      |                   |               |
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| If small entity status is c  | laimed, subt     | ract 50% of Total A                       | mendment Fe     | ne e              |               |

| Ĺ | ] | A claim f | ee in the amount of \$ | is enclosed. |
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

## Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal fit since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be ground by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- · Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
  - drawings contain excessive text. Suitable descriptive legends may be used, or may be required by the Examiner where necessary for understanding of the drawing but should contain as few words as possible (see 37 CFR 1.84(o)):

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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